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The Need for
Content and Language Integrated Learning
(CLIL) Development

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'The Impact of Language Frameworks on Assessment, Learning and Teaching: policies, procedures and challenges.'
Outline

• 4 Cs Framework
• EFCT - European Framework for CLIL Teacher Education
• Portfolio for CLIL teachers
• TT training for CLIL development in tertiary education
Defining CLIL

- Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL) is a dual-focused educational approach in which an additional language is used for the learning and teaching of both content and language. Coyle, Hood and Marsh 2010:1

- CLIL is generally defined as a pedagogical approach which has a dual (integrated) aim: learning of the subject matter (content) and learning of the (second/foreign/target) language used as the medium of instruction for the content.

- CLIL is seen as a continuum or an „umbrella term” for all those approaches in which some form of specific and academic language support is offered to HE students in order to facilitate their learning of the content through that language.
Reconceptualising Language Learning

Language of learning

Foreign Language learning

Language for learning  Language through learning

The Language Triptych

Coyle, Hood, Marsh, 2010
CLIL exposure

The proportion of CLIL experience by learner through the *curriculum in a school year*:

- **Low** - about 5-15% of teaching time
- **Medium** - about 15-50% of teaching time
- **High** - over 50% of teaching time
Promoting CLIL


A European Symposium on “The Changing European Classroom — the Potential of Plurilingual Education” (I.2.6), held in Luxembourg in March 2005

The Symposium recalled:
- the need to ensure that pupils and students receive CLIL provision at different levels of school education
- teachers should receive special training in CLIL
- evaluation of CLIL practices is not widespread. (pp. 11-12)

CLIL in Europe - Status of CLIL provision in primary and general secondary education, 2004/05

4 Cs Conceptual Framework (Coyle 2005)

- **Content** (subject matter)
- **Communication** (language learning and using)
- **Cognition** (learning and thinking processes)
- **Culture** (developing intercultural understanding and global citizenship)

Note! *Culture* (the 4th C is sometimes called Citizenship or Community)

Source: Coyle, D. 2010: 41
The 4Cs Conceptual Framework

Meeting Minds: towards holistic views of the curriculum

Andragogical learning theory

Beginning in the 1950s Malcolm Knowles developed a new theory in the context of adult learners. He asserted that ANDRAGOGY (Greek: "man-leading") should be distinguished from pedagogy (Greek: "child-leading").

Knowles' theory can be stated with six assumptions of adult learning:

- Adults need to know the reason for learning something (Need to know, why things are being taught, explain)
- Experience (including mistakes) provides the basis for learning activities, self-directed learning, and instruction should allow learners to discover things for themselves (Foundation).
- Adults need to be involved in as well as responsible for their decisions connected with planning and evaluation of their instruction (Self-concept).
- Adults are most interested in learning subjects having immediate relevance to their work and/or personal lives (Readiness). Learning activities should be in the context of common tasks to be performed.
- Adult learning is problem-centered (process) rather than content-oriented (Orientation). Learning as problem-solving. Strategies such as case studies, role playing, simulations, and self-evaluation are most useful.
- Adults respond better to internal versus external motivators (Motivation)

It is assumed that the learning process organized by the students themselves create a better learning environment than the one organized externally.
CLIL Matrix - 4 dimensional core framework

It is an Internet-awareness raising tool for teachers who wish to consider the skills and knowledge necessary for achieving quality CLIL to examine the extent to which they are prepared for teaching through CLIL.

It is built around the core elements of CLIL:
- Content,
- Language,
- Integration
- Learning

These four elements are realised through a set of four parameters:
- Culture,
- Communication,
- Cognition
- Community

It was developed in the years 2004 – 2007.

There are 16 indicators (the basis for ensuring quality CLIL in learning and teaching of both content and language).

There are 80 questions.

Authors: Anne Maljers (Netherlands), David Marsh (Finland), Stefka Kitanova (Bulgaria), Dieter Wolff (Germany), Bronislawa Zielonka (Poland), ECML, Graz

http://archive.ecml.at/mtp2/CLILmatrix/
## CLIL Matrix – a 4 dimensional core framework

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| CULTURE     | Appropriate target language input  
|             | Authentic materials,                                                     | Developing cultural aspects of using language, choice of language and the choice of location | Identifying cultural objectives, establishing contacts with external people who speak the target language | Opportunities to engage in intercultural learning (self-reflection)        |
| COMMUNICATION | Interactive learning  
|             | Pair and group work                                                      | Maximise learner-learner and learner-teacher communication in the target language | Transactional (teacher-centered type of communication) vs interactional (teachers and learners communicate with each other) communication | Communication skills include all kinds of strategies (to avoid misunderstandings, to negotiate meanings, to jointly build up content, to regulate interactions (turn-taking), and to close interactions) |
| COGNITION   | Learners should:  
|             | *get teacher support (understand academic terms),*  
|             | *should learn how to use dictionaries effectively*  
|             | *effective reading strategies*                                         | learners have to grasp the relationship between the linguistic sign and the cognitive concept, concept-building | Team teaching, close cooperation b/n content and language teachers | Focus on cognitive demands connected with content and language learning (‘balancing out this dual-focus’) |
| COMMUNITY   | Positive and supportive community (different stakeholders: school, parents, town, local industries)  
|             | -Exchange programmes                                                    | Classroom is not sufficient to allow for high quality CLIL, receiving practical training abroad, | Inviting parents and other interested citizens to participate in school life (project days, theatre performances) participate in the town’s social and cultural life, supporting community’s international relations | Building up a positive learning environment, a CLIL project by the wider community |
Bloom’s taxonomy of the cognitive domain (1956)

Revised taxonomy of the cognitive domain following Anderson and Krathwohl (2001)
CLIL Matrix – Examples of questions related to every dimension

Language-Cognition

4. My students carry out experiments to acquire insights 
   very often often sometimes not often never

Language-Community

2. My students have been involved in international networking and projects 
   very often often sometimes not often never

Integration-Cognition

3. I prepare my lessons together with the language teacher 
   very often often sometimes not often never
CLIP an example of 4 Cs implementation

CLIP - Content and Language Integration Projekt (UK)
Lgs – French, German, Spanish
Subjects: Geography, History, citizenship in years 6-10.

Q: How can teachers be supported in developing practical CLIL theories and theorised CLIL practices using the CLIP training framework, Coyle’s 4 Cs? (Wiesemes, 2009: 49)

KEY PRINCIPLES OF THE CLIP TRAINING:

- **Content** (successful subject learning, not only what to teach but how to teach it)
- **Communication** (authentic, “scaffolded” situations, develop lg skills, strategies, competences,)
- **Cognition** (developing thinking skills BICS, CALP)
- **Culture** (understand, tolerate)

CLIP implications

CLIL allows:

- subject teachers to develop their pedagogies in relation to L1 use,
- learners to get good education,
- learners understand other cultures,
- teachers to cooperate (learn)
- makes learners feel „special”, more interested, more confident (Physics „the black hole”) 
- deals with complex information (content, language)
Core features of CLIL methodology

**Multiple focus**
- supporting language learning in content classes
- supporting content learning in language classes
- integrating several subjects
- organizing learning through cross-curricular themes and projects
- supporting reflection on the learning process

**Safe and enriching learning environment**
- using routine activities and discourse
- displaying language and content throughout the classroom
- building student confidence to experiment with language and content
- using classroom learning centers
- guiding access to authentic learning materials and environments
- increasing student language awareness

**Authenticity**
- letting the students ask for the language help they need
- maximizing the accommodation of student interests
- making a regular connection between learning and the students’ lives
- connecting with other speakers of the CLIL language
- using current materials from the media and other sources

**Active learning**
- students communicating more than the teacher
- students help set content, language and learning skills outcomes
- students evaluate progress in achieving learning outcomes
- favoring peer co-operative work
- negotiating the meaning of language and content with students
- teachers acting as facilitators

**Scaffolding**
- building on a student’s existing knowledge, skills, attitudes, interests and experience
- repackaging information in user-friendly ways
- responding to different learning styles
- fostering creative and critical thinking
- challenging students to take another step forward and not just coast in comfort

**Co-operation**
- planning courses/lessons/themes in co-operation with CLIL and non-CLIL teachers
- involving parents in learning about CLIL and how to support students
- involving the local community, authorities and employers

Source: Mehisto. et al., 2008:29
European Framework for CLIL Teacher Education (EFCT)

- **Authors:** David Marsh, Peeter Mehistro, Dieter Wolff, María Jesús Frigols Martín 2010
- a framework for the professional development for CLIL Teachers it (a conceptual model)
- the framework is the result of a CLIL curriculum development (CLIL-CD) project
- it „aims to provide a set of principles and ideas for designing CLIL professional development curricula” p.3
- serves as a tool for reflection.
- focuses on the **competences** necessary to teach content subjects and an additional language in an integrated manner

Source:
http://clil-cd.ecml.at/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=C0kUO%2bvEc6k%3d&tabid=2254&language=en-GB
EFCT 1. Target Professional Competences

- are „the target professional competences that the CLIL teacher is expected to acquire or further develop during the training programme”

1. PERSONAL REFLECTION (cognitive, social and affective development)

2. CLIL FUNDAMENTALS (understanding of the core features of CLIL)

3. CONTENT AND LANGUAGE AWARENESS

4. METHODOLOGY AND ASSESSMENT
   - Building learner capacity
   - Co-operating with colleagues
   - Deploying strategies
   - Building direction and focus
   - Building safe and meaningful learning experiences
   - Assessing

5. RESEARCH AND EVALUATION

6. LEARNING RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTS

7. CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT
1. PERSONAL REFLECTION

CLIL teachers are able to:

d) to define their level of language competence according to CEFR, and to articulate related developmental needs (PDC 8)

j) to devise and implement strategies that take into account concepts such as (critical) discourse, domains, and registers, BICS, CALP in order to promote language and content learning skills development (PDC 3, 6)

4. METHODOLOGY AND ASSESSMENT

Building direction and focus

g) to take guidance from the European *Key Competences for Lifelong Learning* (PDC 10)

Assessing

d) to guide learners in using portfolio-based approaches (including the *European Language Portfolio*) as tools for fostering learning, teaching and assessment (PDC 10)

PDC – Professional Development Competence

BICS - Basic Interpersonal Communication Skills,

CALP – Cognitive-Academic Language Proficiency
EFCT 2. Professional Development

Modules

- descriptions summarise the contents of the modules in the EFCT.
- these descriptions are based on, and linked to, the TPC (Target Professional Competences)

Module 1: Approaching CLIL

1. Situating CLIL
2. Adopting action research
3. Examining good pedagogy and CLIL
4. Focusing on CLIL in the school context

Module 2: Implementing CLIL

5. Designing CLIL classroom curricula
6. Anchoring CLIL in the classroom
7. Interweaving psychological and pedagogical aspects in the CLIL classroom
8. Accessing and adapting CLIL learning resources and environments
9. Becoming an evidence-based practitioner

Module 3: Consolidating CLIL

10. Assessing for learning
11. Networking locally, nationally and internationally
12. Practising CLIL
Module 2: Implementing CLIL

8. Accessing and adapting CLIL learning resources and environments
   • Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Module 3: Consolidating CLIL

10. Assessing for learning
    • „Summative and formative evaluation: principles, modes and tools” (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, European Language Portfolio)
From scaffolding Framework to... Teacher Portfolio for CLIL

The outcome of a SOCRATES-COMENIUS 2.1 project entitled: **CLIL across Contexts: A scaffolding framework for teacher education** (in the years 2006-2009)

Both published in **2009**

**Authors:** Marie-Anne Hansen-Pauly, Guy Bentner, Vic Jovanovic, Danielle Zerbato, (University of Luxembourg), Ana Lliñares, Emma Dafouz, Concepción Erades Alonso, Montserrat García Comino, Aina Carreras Nadal, Franco Favilli, Liz Dale, Penelope Robinson, Marie Hofmannova, Jarmila Novotna

Published by: Directorate-General for Education and Culture

**Sources:**
*Teacher education for CLIL across Contexts. From Scaffolding Framework to Teacher Portfolio for CLIL.*

[http://clil.uni.lu](http://clil.uni.lu)
Outcomes of the project

1. A conceptual scaffolding framework for teacher education in 8 areas (a flexible framework of teacher competences)

2. A collection of activities and outcomes for CLIL teachers

3. A **Portfolio** for professional growth.
Socrates: (2009) CLIL across contexts: A scaffolding framework for CLIL teacher education
http://clil.uni.lu
A Framework for CLIL teacher education

The framework details the...

Knowledge Values Skills Activities

...for each of the 8 areas of competence

Figure 2: A framework for CLIL teacher education
Structure of the Framework

- **The framework** for each area is presented as a **grid** showing the various dimensions of teacher competence and development.

It has five columns:

- **KNOWLEDGE**: CLIL teachers **need to know** ....
- **VALUES**: CLIL teachers **need to appreciate**...
- **SKILLS**: CLIL teachers **need to be able to**...
- **TEACHER DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**: CLIL teachers **can develop values and skills by**...
- **ACTIVITY / LEARNING OUTCOME**: CLIL teachers **can provide evidence of competence** in the area of XXX with...
8 areas of CLIL teacher competence

- LEARNER NEEDS
- PLANNING
- MULTIMODALITY
- INTERACTION
- SUBJECT LITERACIES
- EVALUATION
- COOPERATION AND REFLECTION
- CONTEXT AND CULTURE
### EVALUATION

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<td>-the importance of formative evaluation in the learning process in CLIL;</td>
<td>-to foster CLIL students.’ metacognitive awareness by providing</td>
<td>-providing formative feedback on samples of CLIL students’ work;</td>
<td>-plans and schedules in which appropriate assessment points and</td>
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<td>diagnostic, formative, summative;</td>
<td>-the importance of constructive feedback focused on what CLIL learners can do;</td>
<td>appropriate tools for self-assessment;</td>
<td>-carrying out error analyses and using these as a learning tool;</td>
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<td>-about the implications for CLIL assessment of the links b/n cognitive</td>
<td>-the need to balance assessment of progress in the subject with that of language;</td>
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<td>-devising and implementing tools to develop metacognitive awareness;</td>
<td>-examples of assessment tools which integrate content, thinking and</td>
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<td>operations and academic language skills;</td>
<td>-the interdependence of content, thinking skills and language in learners’</td>
<td>-to assess their own</td>
<td>-reflecting on and assessing their own language use.</td>
<td>language (such as rubrics, grids etc.) ;</td>
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Advantages to the CLIL approach

CLIL

- develops confident learners
- enhances academic cognitive processes and communication skills.
- encourages intercultural understanding and community values
- learners become more sensitive to vocabulary and ideas presented in their first language as well as in the target language
- learners gain more extensive and varied vocabulary in the target language
- learners reach proficiency levels in all four skills of L, S, W, R


- ‘CLIL induces the learner to be more cognitively active during the learning process’,

Problems with CLIL

CLIL teachers admit having some problems:

- the lack of materials available,
- the absence of collaboration,
- the lack of interest from the teachers of the same class or of the same school,
- having difficulties in properly integrating content and language,
- creating an authentic and real setting in the classroom.

What do we need?

- Focus on both: increasing content in FL lessons and the use of FL in a subject class
- Integration of FL and content-specific skills
- Team teaching, collaboration, observing ≈ reflective practice (constant dialogue across different departments)
- Material development (awareness of CLIL pedagogies), authenticity, sharing (Resource Banks – IT, subject)
- Learner (learner-centred approach, LbT ≈ microteaching, cooperative learning)
- Stakeholders
- Benchmarking (teaching, learning, assessment, training)
- **Assessment**
- Quality assurance *(Komorowska, 2010: 65-66)* (accreditation for CLIL courses?)
Challenges: quality assurance

- Quality of learning and teaching:
  - C&L, learning theories, implementing 4 Cs in the curriculum, material development, strategies

- Quality of CLIL management:
  - collaboration among teachers, IT, training, cooperation with stakeholders

- Quality of evaluation and assessment:
  - the ability to reflect on one’s own teaching and drawing conclusions, action research & impact studies
  - Valid and reliable CLIL tests
    self-evaluation (subject-oriented Portfolios?)
CLIL courses in Poland
CLIL courses offered in 2011
Comenius-Grundtvig Training Database

- Title: Principles and Best Practice in CLIL (CLIL)
- Title: Advanced CLIL
- Title: CLIL - Content and Language Integrated Learning for Maths and Science Teachers
- Title: Outdoor CLIL
- Title: Quality CLIL in vocational education
- Title: Content And Language Integrated Learning - Master's Level (MACLIL)
- Title: Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL)
- Title: Activating new technologies for CLIL practice

http://ec.europa.eu/education/trainingdatabase/search.cfm?fuseaction=R
The Certificate in CLIL with Oxford TEFL

On-line course (3 weeks online, 7 hours work per week)  300 EUR

- Programme
  Session 1 Introduction to CLIL
  Session 2 CLIL Syllabus design
  Session 3 Materials (Multimedia in CLIL)
  Session 4 Task-based learning and CLIL
  Session 5 Building up a CLIL teaching sequence
  Session 6 TEFL techniques in CLIL (Learning styles, Testing and assessing)
  Session 7 Supervised lesson planning.
  Session 8 Teaching structures and vocabulary in CLIL
  Session 9 Expert groups, webquests and project work
  Session 10 Teaching practice, Peer-teaching, Evaluation

http://www.oxfordtefl.com/CLIL-Courses.html
TKT: Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL) tests knowledge:

- about content teaching in a target language and the learning, thinking and language skills which are developed across different curriculum subjects.
- of how to plan lessons
- of activities and resources used to support a CLIL approach.
- of lesson delivery
- how assessment is carried out in CLIL contexts

TKT: CLIL does not test subject specific knowledge but tests awareness of the skills that are taught across all subjects.

The test format:

- it is an optional module of TKT and follows that exam’s format.
- it consists of a single paper lasting 1 hour and 20 minutes
- there are two parts to the test
- contains 80 questions
- is suitable for pre or in-service teachers and for international candidates teaching across all sectors of education: primary, secondary and tertiary (for content and English teachers)
- no formal entry requirements (at least an intermediate level of English — Level B1 CEFR)
TKT: CLIL Areas of knowledge

- Part 1
  Knowledge of CLIL and Principles of CLIL (25 questions)

- Part 2
  Planning, Teaching and Assessing
  - Lesson Preparation (25 questions)
  - Lesson Delivery (20 questions)
  - Assessment (10 questions)

Handbook for teachers, Learning Glossary, Sample paper

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Read more online

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